

REPLACEMENT SPECIFICATION PARAGRAPHS

Please amend the following paragraph as indicated below:

[0006] In a first aspect, containers to be cleaned of metal contamination are sprayed with ~~or immersed in~~ a metal removal agent. The metal removal agent is preferably a chelating agent. The containers are then rinsed by spraying the containers with a rinsing liquid, such as DI water, ~~or by immersion~~. The containers are then optionally dried, preferably by flowing heated air over the containers. These steps may be performed while the containers are held within a spinning rotor, or the containers may be stationary ~~or~~ on a fixture or platform during cleaning.